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TALKING PAPER FOR GENERAL WILSON

SUBJECT: Lack of Personnel Support to the Strategic Warning Staff (SWS)

1. In DCID No. 1/5 (attached), dated 26 FEB 75, one of the responsibilities of USIB departments and agencies in support of the SWS is "to provide full-time, senior professional intelligence personnel to the SWS and other support as arranged by the Special Assistant."

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-- According to a 3 MAR 75 memorandum from [REDACTED] to the D/DCI/IC, a staff of ten analysts was to be formed.

-- To date only DIA (2), NSA (2), CIA (2), and Air Force (1) have provided the requested number of analysts. DIA and CIA have also provided additional personnel for administrative support.

-- State Department, Army, and Navy were asked to provide one analyst each, but none have as yet been assigned.

2. Reasons for lack of personnel support:

-- State. Mr. Hyland has expressed interest in filling the quota. State personnel have visited the SWS facilities to check on its operations, but no one has expressed a desire to accept the job.

-- Navy. Although Navy continues to say it is looking for someone to fill its quota, no one has been assigned.

-- Army. MG Aaron has stated that Army does not intend to provide a full-time analyst.*

-- He claims to have already provided the disbanded National Indications Center with Army personnel that have--over the years--been absorbed within DIA. Thus, he feels DIA should fill the Army slot.

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*Aaron's position is complicated; [REDACTED] (red x1571) can provide you with the details if you wish.

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-- General Aaron has indicated that an analyst on the ACSI staff would be made available on a liaison basis.

3. Although there is no authorized manning document for the SWS, DCID No. 1/5 certainly appears explicit enough as to the community's responsibilities.

-- DCID No. 1/5 should be a solid basis for urging State, Army, and Navy to help the SWS perform its mission by providing a full-time analyst.

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